



JOE FOSS  
GOVERNOR

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# PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the period from February 5 through 11, 1956, has been designated by the American Dental Association as National Children's Dental Health Week; and

WHEREAS, ninety-five per cent of the public is afflicted by dental decay; and

WHEREAS, the most effective, long-range weapon for combating this disease is preventive care for children; and

WHEREAS, the members of the South Dakota Dental Association are calling public attention to the need for expanded dental care and dental health education for children, to wit:

1. Decreased consumption of sweets
2. Improved dental hygiene through proper use of the toothbrush
3. Early and regular dental care for all children
4. Fluoridation of communal water supplies

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Joe Foss, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of February 5 through 11 as

## CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH WEEK

and I urge that each parent, each teacher, and each member of the populace not heretofore moved accept his individual responsibility to join with the members of the South Dakota Dental Association in the mobilization and improvement of the status of the dental health of the children of South Dakota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed, this 4th day of February, 1956.

..... Joe Foss .....  
Governor

ATTEST:  
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Secaldine Ostrout  
Secretary of State

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